

**REMARKS**

**Status of Claims**

Claims 28-32 were pending in the application. Claim 28 has been amended, claim 34 has been added and no claims have been canceled. Therefore, claims 28-32 and 34 are pending in the application and are presented for consideration.

This amendment changes and adds claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, are presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

**Amendments to the Abstract, and Claims**

A substitute abstract is attached on a separate page at the end of this Amendment. The substitute abstract addresses the issues raised in paragraph 2 of the Quayle Action. The term "twisted wires" has been amended to --twisted wire rods--.

Applicants submit that the features recited in the pending claims are supported by the originally filed disclosure which includes the originally filed claims. See MPEP §2163.06 (III).

**Conclusion**

If there are any questions regarding the application, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the local telephone number below.

Should additional fees be necessary in connection with the filing of this paper, or if a petition for extension of time is required for timely acceptance of same, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge deposit account No. 19-0741 for any such fees; and applicants hereby petition for any needed extension of time.

Respectfully submitted,

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